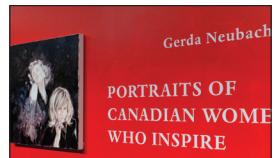


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Going for it

Red Hawks senior mixed doubles player Brigitta Hicks narrowly misses the shuttlecock during a match in the senior Kawartha qualifier at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School in Haliburton on Tuesday, April 2. Hicks and partner Riin Shiina finished second, earning a berth to the Kawartha Championship this week. More on page 16. Darren Lum Staff

Labour board delays irk chairwoman

More than \$100,000 has been spent by board on legal fees

Jenn Watt
Editor

Karen Round is frustrated. Months after filing an application to the

Ontario Labour Relations Board, the school board chairwoman still hasn't been given a decision on whether the elementary teachers' union has counselled an unlawful strike.

"We just want to know: Was this an unlawful strike? Period," says the head of Trillium Lakeshore District School Board.

TLDSB along with the Upper Canada District School Board came together in January to get an answer on whether the union's directive to members not to participate in extracurriculars after a contract had been established by the

province was technically "strike activity."

The board also says union actions affected report cards, professional development and staff meetings. The union denies it instructed its members to cease any work activities.

Last Tuesday, the labour board chairman Bernard Fishbein called the parties before him to ask whether they still wanted him to render a decision two months on.

The Elementary Teachers' Federation of

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Scott congratulates local Ontario Arts Council recipients

Laurie Scott, MPP for Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock, congratulated local organizations that received a total of \$29,500 in grants over the past year from the Ontario Arts Council.

"This is recognition of some of the great work being done in our community. These organizations are to be congratulated and their successes celebrated," said Scott.

Over 250,000 Ontarians work in the culture sector, generating almost \$20 billion annually for Ontario's economy.

"In addition to the economic impact, a healthy arts and culture sector contributes to the quality of life in our communities," Scott added.

Organizations recognized this year are:

Arts Council - Haliburton Highlands, for the provision of four in-class arts education experiences/workshops for

Grade 4 and Grade 7 students in Haliburton County elementary schools.

Lindsay Concert Foundation for Kawartha Concerts - Artists Connections create Community Connections, providing pre-concert chats, hands-on workshops and school concerts for learners of all ages.

Haliburton County Community Co-operative for a Dusk Dances Festival in the Village of Haliburton, a family-friendly outdoor dance performance incorporating both local and visiting artists.

HSTA offering summer courses in Huntsville

Fleming College's Haliburton School of The Arts will once again offer a suite of week-long arts courses between July 22 and Aug. 9.

Registration for these courses opens on March 25. Please see the full course and instructor list below:

July 22 to 26: Decoy Carving-Contemporary Antique Style, Ken Hussey; Machine Quilting, Maggie Vanderweit; Open Studio - Working from the Figure, Ramune Luminaria; Painting - Colour and Light, Janine Marson; Paper Sculpture and Collage, Suzi Dwor; Photography, Debbie Bradley.

July 29 to Aug. 2: Creative Writing - The Power of Story, Nora Zylstra Savage; Jewellery: Mixed Metals, Vicki Sharp; Oil Painting, Andrea Mossop; Painting Basics, Shannon Partridge; Photography - Breaking the Rules, Jenny Kirkpatrick; Watercolour Explorations of Subject, Margot Snow.

Aug. 5 to 9: Basketry, Wanda Haydt; Creative Reflections - A Journey for Women, Linda Lee Purvis; Landscape Painting in Acrylics, Marianne Broome; Mixing Media, Ramune Luminaria; Paper Sculpting and Painting on Canvas, Col Mitchell; Watercolour Surfaces and Techniques, Margot Snow.

For additional details and information go to: www.hsta.ca.

For anyone interested, these courses are credited through Fleming College's Visual and Creative Arts Diploma, generalist option.

Ev at 90

Elva and I have just turned 90 years,
We've had our share of laughter and tears.
Born and brought up out on the farm,
You can see it did us no harm.

Married real young and isn't it a pity,
We both were taken to live in the city.
Now, my dear hubby Wes was a carpenter by trade,
All of his work was always first grade.

Built us two houses, one on Grass Lake,
And one in Oshawa, a cottage-like make.
And a bowling alley at Port Perry - three alleys to start,
And three more next year with a coffee bar part.

This only after he got back from the war,
It seemed like ages he was gone for.
Went through the whole thing, didn't like it much,
Even though he got an award from the Dutch.

So I had my first baby while he was gone,
Yes, that's that guy Richard, my only son.
But after a year my daughter Sharon was born,
On a cold and frosty winter morn.

A.B.A. in economics and the T.D. Bank was her life,
And a job in General Motors for Dick after he made Donna his wife.

Then along came our granddaughter, Sherri is her name,
Slavin' at the Hudson Bay store is her game.

Me, I kept busy with needles and threads,
Making clothes for ladies and quilts for their beds.
But after 40 years of smokin',
Wes's lungs just quit-a-workin'

And he had to quit doing his carpenter job,
So we retired back to the country and lived next door to Tom and Bob.

Finally working at retiring got too hard to take,
So we moved to Parklane Apartments out by Head Lake.

Wes had 10 more years here until 1997,
And then he was gone up to revamp heaven.
So again I was joining churches and singing in choirs,
I even got to sing the famous Messiah.

And at this time I was busy writing poems,
Sold them into nearly 500 homes.
And for years I've been a school volunteer,
Just kept going year after year.

Entering the Senior Games, it isn't a bore,
Got a gold medal for cribbage in 2004.
So I'm still here up in 201,
Just wondering when my life will be done!

Submitted by Ev Stata

Moving on up

Construction is moving along quickly on the affordable housing development on County Road 21. Seen here on April 5, the 24-unit complex is a joint project of the Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton Housing Corporation and is expected to be completed by July or August of this year. The building is on schedule for a summer completion.

Angelica Blenich
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Dentist leaves town, and patient files, behind

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

The Haliburton and Minden Family Dentistry offices have shut their doors, leaving behind patient records and costly equipment.

Owner of the Haliburton Family Dentistry, Dr. Rene Boljkovac, has filed for bankruptcy according to the Office of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy Canada.

Records show Boljkovac filed on Feb. 19 of this year, with total liabilities equaling more than \$1 million.

The dentist opened Haliburton Family Dentistry in August 2011, with an official grand opening on Sept. 24, 2011.

Minden Family Dentistry was opened in 2008 after Boljkovac purchased the Minden Dental Clinic from Dr. John Purc.

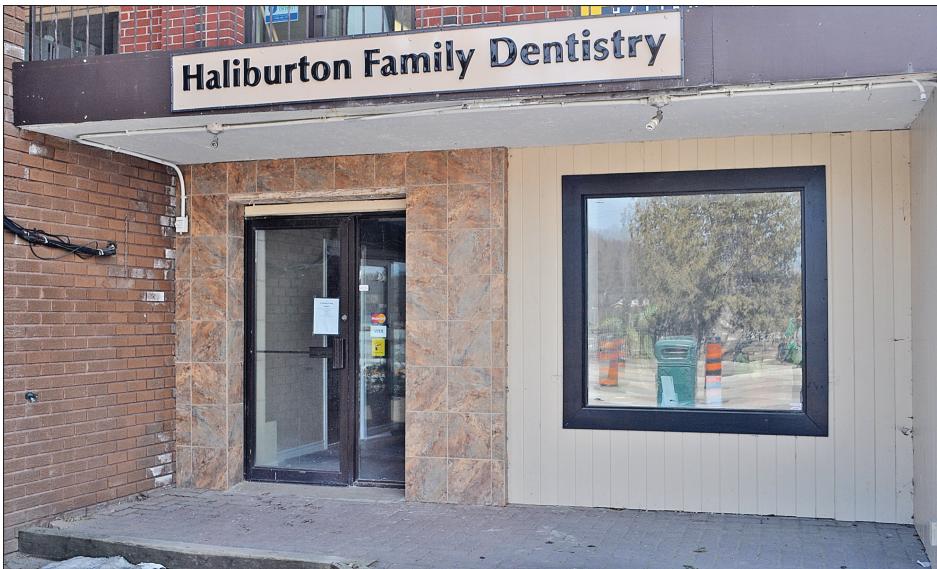
The Haliburton location closed on Feb. 5, said building owner Mike Easton.

"There is significant outstanding amounts of money, even locally there is," said Easton.

He said much of the equipment left behind by Boljkovac has since been picked up by creditors.

Patient records left at the office were retrieved by the College of Dentistry, said Easton. "They retrieved all of the records, because they have to."

Easton said Boljkovac also had a practice in Lindsay, which is no longer oper-



Angelica Blenich Staff

Haliburton Family Dentistry has been closed since earlier this year, along with its sister location Minden Family Dentistry.

ating. Calls from the paper to the Lindsay office were not answered.

Boljkovac owns and operates Bobcaygeon Family Dentistry, which has not closed.

When asked why the Haliburton and Minden practices were shut down, Marianne Boljkovac told the paper her hus-

band decided he no longer wanted to pursue dentistry in the Haliburton County area.

"We are working out of our Bobcaygeon location," she said, adding her husband did not wish to comment.

Boljkovac moved out of the Minden Family Dentistry office during the month

of January, said landlord Sally Teasdel.

Located on Highway 35, the practice moved from its original location on Bobcaygeon Road.

Teasdel said Boljkovac rented the space for two years but only had it occupied for one.

The dentist did not give the landlords proper notice he was leaving, she said. The space has not been rented out since Boljkovac's departure.

"I think it would be an ideal place for the Minden Family Medical Centre, get us some doctors in here. I think it would be perfect for that," said Teasdel. "This town is desperate for those services."

There are no bankruptcy records on file for the Minden Family Dentistry.

Patrick Bloomfield of Rusinek and Associates has been appointed the trustee for the file.

Bloomfield said Boljkovac has filed bankruptcy for four practices, including his Bobcaygeon and Lindsay locations, as well as Minden.

"It's all a bit of a mishmash but there were four practices that are involved," said Bloomfield.

The trustee said it is Boljkovac himself who has claimed bankruptcy, however, he can still practice.

"There is no regulatory agency which prohibits him from working," said Bloomfield.

Board's actions further anger members, union says

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Ontario argued no decision was necessary - their leadership had since lifted the directive to boycott extracurriculars - while the school boards said they still wanted a decision.

He is now contemplating whether to render a decision at all.

If he decides in the affirmative, there is still the business of actually making the decision.

The entire situation gets Round's back up.

"We're tired of waiting to see," she said April 5. "The impact on our students is daily."

While the directive has been lifted by ETFO, that doesn't mean members have returned to extracurriculars.

In fact, local president Steve Colliver said many of his members are smarting both from the province's controversial Bill

115, which unilaterally imposed contracts on teachers, and from the board's decision to take the union to the labour board.

"They should be building bridges, not burning them. That's what they did," Colliver said.

He said while ETFO is happy with the way talks are going on a provincial level, members "do not forget our board is treating us this way."

Like Round, Colliver, too, is frustrated. "Folks are still very bitter," he said.

Despite the lifted directive to boycott extracurriculars, Colliver said he doesn't know of many teachers who have resumed those activities.

And if the labour board comes back with a ruling that teachers were in the wrong to withhold participation in voluntary activities, he said the ire will be even greater.

Trillium Lakelands District School Board has spent about \$100,000 on legal expenses related to this labour board hear-

ing.

They've split the cost with the Upper Canada District School Board, which likely has spent the same amount.

ETFO won't say what it's spent.

But Round said the money is worth it, if only to clarify what the school board can and cannot do in labour disputes.

"It's a bigger picture. We want to ensure we're not in this situation next year. Were their actions an unlawful strike?" she said.

The chairwoman called this year a write-off for students and the local economy, which lost out on hundreds of thousands of dollars normally spent on kids' recreational activities at places like Sir Sam's ski hill and Kinark Outdoors Centre.

"There are more people that would like to have this cleared up than those who don't," Round said.

She pointed out that TLDSB was against Bill 115 and spoke out about it at Queen's Park, but they're still the employer and

need to have schools return to normal, she said.

"We're talking about [teachers] operating outside of the law," she said.

The lifted directive is no consolation, either, as Round points out ETFO could advise their members to boycott again at any time.

"We need to know for the future. This year, for all intents and purposes is unsalvageable. There's nothing we could do to mitigate the damage caused," she said.

Round said this isn't about winning or losing - it's about clarity.

And she's tired of waiting for a decision.

"We requested an expedited hearing. It was improper for us to assume there would have been an expedited ruling," she said.

As of press time the labour board hadn't decided whether it would decide the original application.

Women complete inaugural YWCA program in Haliburton County

Women in Business gives nine students tools to succeed

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

Frances Barry couldn't imagine opening up a business without the YWCA.

This past January the West Guilford resident launched The Lotus Centre, a wellness centre that offers belly dancing, zumba and more.

For Barry, 44, starting her own business was something she couldn't have done without Women in Business.

On April 2, Barry, along with eight other women of all ages, graduated from the YWCA's first Women in Business program offered in Haliburton County.

"When I was speaking to our executive director, she said be sure to tell you what trailblazers you are," said Cheryl Denomy, director of resource development for the YWCA Peterborough, Victoria & Haliburton County. "We hope that through the years you will continue ... and mentor the women who come after you because that's the most important part of how the Y works with women."

Kicked off on Nov. 1, the program was facilitated by Donna Arnold and featured many guest speakers, including Mike Jaycock, Cindy Trapp, Loran Upton, Cheryl McCombe and Andy Campbell.

Each brought a different area of expertise to the nine participants, including social media, marketing, human resources and financial literacy.

The program equipped Barry with many of the skills and lessons she needed to feel confident about launching her own business.

"At the beginning of Women in Business I had a business idea but I wanted to maximize the launch," said Barry. "Being new to business I had a lot to learn."

Students met at the Dysart library branch every Monday for five hours, from Nov. 1 until the end of March.

The five-month program was made possible through a grant from the Haliburton County Development Cor-



Angelica Blenich Staff

Graduates of the YWCA's inaugural Women in Business program in Haliburton County receive certificates at the program's graduation ceremony on April 2. Held at the Dysart library in Haliburton Village, the ceremony honoured the nine participants who completed the five-month program. Back row from left, Shiloe Melle, Vicky Judge, Kyla Grexton, Donna Arnold, program facilitator and Sian Cox, graduate.

Front row from left, graduates Sarah Adams, YWCA resource development co-ordinator, and graduates Rachelle Selmeci, Nia May, Angela McGreevy and Frances Barry. Missing from the photo is graduate Denise Hinchcliffe.

poration.

"It's a really special day for many of the people in the room," said Sarah Adams, local YWCA resource development co-ordinator. "Special for me because two and a half years ago when I started at YWCA this was just a dream. Here we are and it's a reality."

Modeled after a YWCA Muskoka program that has been running for 10 years, Women in Business aims to equip females who have a business idea or interest with the tools they need to succeed.

Topics include developing a business plan, networking, local resources, marketing, branding and conflict

resolution.

"It was an honour and privilege to give light to this program," said Arnold. "I thank the women who shared so much of themselves."

While some of the graduates have already launched their own business, others are developing ideas with future entrepreneurial plans.

However all of the participants were beaming with pride upon receiving certificates marking their completion of the program.

"The program was fantastic, I received new pearls of wisdom each week," said Barry, who first heard about the program through a friend. "Women in Business has taught me how to walk."

The local YWCA has applied for funding from HCDC's Local Initiative program to conduct the program again, said Adams.

If successful, the hope is to run the second Women in Business this fall in Minden.

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Gelert artist inspires with new book

Jenn Watt
Editor

Gelert artist Gerda Neubacher's mother always told her anything was possible.

A great storyteller and a strong woman, her mother was her inspiration.

"This book actually started way back without me knowing," Neubacher says, flipping through the colourful pages of her thick coffee table book, *Portraits of Canadian Women Who Inspire*.

Neubacher, who is in her 60s, never felt held back – she pushed toward her personal goals all her life – and ended up meeting incredible women along the way.

She met and befriended business heavyweight Arlene Dickinson of *Dragons' Den* fame, fashion journalist Jeanne Beker, philanthropist Cathie Bratty, news anchor Christine Bentley, senator Pamela Wallin, and former prime minister Kim Campbell.

She was moved by the humanitarian work of Justice Louise Arbour, Lisa Power, Diana Burke and Sheila Alofs.

And she was captivated by the creative life paths of barrel racer Monica Wilson, Olympic gold medalist Lori-Ann Muenzer and Gelert's own Marion Sedgwick, a former nurse and teacher.

So for 10 years she painted their portraits, collected their stories and published the 180-page volume at the beginning of March.

It was an inspired process, but not without its ups and downs.

"It wasn't easy," she says, "it was very difficult. You're out there to fulfill a wish. Sometimes I had to go back and back [to the painting]."

Wish fulfillment was part of the deal in making the book – Neubacher approached her subject not only asking to paint them, but asking them to tell her how they wanted to be portrayed.

Each woman wrote her own short passage about their lives and what they want to impart to the world.

One wrote a poem, another a list, others were more descriptive.

Women often occupy the role of the muse, allowing the artist to choose how they are depicted – in Neubacher's work that dynamic is reversed with great effect.

An accomplished artist, Neubacher moved to Gelert about five years ago, drawn as most are, to the landscape of the Highlands.

It started with weekend trips to the area, but after commuting back and forth from Toronto for about two years, she made the move.

"After the second year, I said, I think I'm going to stay," Neubacher said.

Born in Austria, Neubacher was educated in Switzerland, where she met her husband and eventually immigrated to Canada in the late 1960s.

She quickly became a Canadian citizen and embarked on a career in the fashion industry, before shifting gears into graphic arts – drawing for clients.

Although Neubacher was an artist, she chose the jobs that



Gerda Neubacher, right, signs copies of her new book *Portraits of Canadian Women Who Inspire* at a Toronto launch event in March. Neubacher will be holding a Haliburton launch event April 19 at Heritage House Café. Nick Wons/submitted

paid money over making art for its own sake such as illustrating children's books.

"You do a lot to survive and feed your children," she says. "I was never really running after fame."

Later she "had the luxury" of studying in Munich and embracing the kind of art she wanted to do – abstracts.

"I lost many of my clients and my supporters, but I gained respect from a different group of art lovers," she recalls.

It was a pivotal time in her life, where she chose to shift gears and try something new. It ended up defining her as an artist.

"You have to move forward. You come to a crossroads so many times in your life," she said.

"It would have been so easy to stay where I was."

The gamble paid off. She opened Gallery Neubacher on St. Nicholas Street in Toronto where she ended up meeting many of the women in her book.

(Her son Manny has since reopened the gallery, now called Neubacher Shor Contemporary off Queen Street West.)

From getting to know the women, the artist began to see patterns – patterns that are mirrored in her own life, though she doesn't say that.

The women have reached for something more; they have found their own paths to success, though success isn't always defined the same way.

The underlying theme, says Neubacher: "It's all doable. It's all reachable."

The paintings themselves vary as much as the women. Some are painterly, with large fluid brushstrokes. Others are more precise, realistic and clean. Some women are provocative, seen in sheer dresses, naked under water. Others are in full formal attire – Mississauga's mayor Hazel McCallion, for example, posed in her yellow suit – or ball gown like socialite Cathie Bratty.

She tried to give each what she wanted while creating art that a wide audience base would connect with and enjoy.

Her own portrait is perhaps one of the most abstract, with a thin line of yellow paint faintly tracing the outline of a reclining naked woman.

Above her float squares of bright colours on a mottled white background.

She's dreaming of paint.

One of the most poignant moments in her decade-long project came when she painted Kim Campbell.

The former prime minister was gracious and kind, Neubacher said.

"She invited me to sit with her and she gave me four hours of time and I thought, my mom is right: anything is possible."

Neubacher is holding a Haliburton launch for her book on Friday, April 19 at Heritage House Café on Pine Avenue between 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. There will be a question and answer period and a talk about the project. Some of the work will be on display at the café and the book can be purchased for \$80. To see more, go to www.inspiringwomen.ca.

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Spring in Haliburton

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Women in business

ALTHOUGH IT SEEMS by this point in history we shouldn't need special programs to lift women up, the truth is we still do.

According to the not-for-profit group Catalyst, in Canada only 10 per cent of publicly traded companies have women on their boards, less than four per cent have women in the chairperson role and small businesses don't do much better.

At last count in 2010, 17 per cent of small businesses (99 employees or less) are owned by women, about nine per cent were owned jointly by men and women and the rest were owned by men, according to Industry Canada.

The percentages vary based on industry, with women owning about 25 per cent of accommodation and food services and just nine per cent in the agricultural category.

What does this mean for all of us?

Half the population, though it has made strides toward equality, is still not participating to its full potential; possibilities for economic growth and societal change are being missed.

On a local level, you can see these same statistics mirrored back to us in our private enterprise.

While there are a number of women in positions of authority in our public institutions – think municipal and provincial politics, elementary schools, library, school board, MNR – women

still don't seem to be embarking on business ventures (especially large ones) as often as men.

Which is why it's heartening to see the YWCA launch a Women in Business program for Haliburton County, with financial help from HCDC.

Its first crop of graduates completed the series of workshops last week, marking the achievement with a special ceremony.

One of the participants, Frances Barry, used the skills learned including financial literacy, marketing and social media skills to launch The Lotus Centre in West Guelph.

She said she wouldn't have been able to do it without Women in Business.

"Women in Business has taught me how to walk," she said.

Aside from hospitals, the municipality and schools, small business makes up the bulk of employment in Haliburton County.

Encouraging a new demographic to take a leadership role will take our economy in an inspiring direction.

Inspiring women

If you're looking for more inspiration, Gelert artist Gerda Neubacher will be holding a book launch of her portraits of Canadian women at Heritage House Café on April 19 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. A portion of sales goes to the HHHS Foundation.



Jenn Watt
Editor

Time is not on my side

I'M NOT A conspiracy theorist but I do believe that someone in our MNR is out to get me. Why else would they place the opening day of turkey and trout so close together?

It's cruel.

Almost every sportsman I know has been dreaming of both activities all winter long. Pretty soon, we're going to have to choose.

Luckily, I've formulated a plan. I'll try to fill both turkey tags in the first two days of turkey season. Once those tags are filled, I'll fish for trout for the rest of the season. Admittedly, this plan is a little shy on details but the essential components are there.

The problem is that this is a plan and, as we all know, life has a way of ruining your plans.

Here's how it happens. Some very pressing family or work related matter will occur on those first two days. Either that or it will rain to the point where people start building arks.

So you start your turkey hunt later into trout season.

You slip in early, set up just perfectly and then hear or see nothing all morning. The minute you get home, however, you check your voicemail to discover a message from a trout fishing buddy who tells you that the fishing was superb and you should have been there.

Then when you check your email, you find photographic proof that he

wasn't lying.

This, of course, is too tempting so you

forego turkey hunting to go out trout fishing the next morning, only to dis-

cover that this was prob-
ably the day you should
have gone turkey hunting,
since the trout shut down
and the birds were moving
and responding to calls like
crazy.

This typically happens
three to four times in the
first week.

At the end of that week,
you sit down and try to
come up with a practical,
logical solution. So you

purchase a time machine
online. But it does not arrive in time –
which should actually be no problem,
provided it works, which they never do.
By the way, just try figuring out a one-
year warranty on a time machine.

So that leaves you, once again, having
to decide which of these two activities
to devote your time to. This is never an
easy thing to come to terms with.

Invariably, I choose turkey in the
morning and trout in the afternoon,
which would be fine provided that
didn't conflict with life's plan which
involves yard work in the afternoon and
bringing home an income during the
day.

And somewhere throughout those
beautiful months of late April and May,
I end up getting a turkey or two and a
few trout to boot.

Which is fine, but I'd do better with a
working time machine.



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points of view

Spring cleaning

IT WAS JUST TOO MUCH. Everywhere Louise looked she saw filth and upheaval. Inside and outside. Now that the snow was retreating, its dingy shadow ebbing before the sun, the inevitable eyesores became exposed. Like bears waking from winter's hibernation, the thin and ragged remains of another season were there for all to see.

While there was no melting white within Louise's house, months of wood smoke and ash had left their mark. Dog and cat hair had gathered in cozy little groups to hide in corners and under furniture. The air was stale and still, smelling of old fires, long ago meals and closed, cramped spaces.



Sharon Lynch
Down our Road

make them.

This winter had been difficult. Not the usual too long, dark and cold difficult but difficult in other ways. The end of a marriage, loss of income, debilitating illness that was finally retreating: these continued to sap her energy and resolve. As she stood at the window gazing out, she watched the returning birds at the feeder and tried to motivate herself. The sun was bright on the bare limbs, turning the beech tree a soft grey and casting warm shadows against the side of the garage.

Perhaps, she decided, she could start with a walk, just to get out of the house. She had been inside too much lately. Ignoring the hopeful dog, Louise grabbed her jacket and rubber boots and set out. There would be other opportunities to walk the dog but right now she wanted no distractions, nothing to intrude on her efforts.

The air was tangy, warm and cool at the same time and the world around her looked naked. No grass, no leaves to soften the stark edges of rock and tree. But the sun was delicious. Louise felt it on her face, like a gentle hand tracing the outline of her cheek. And the birds chirped and whistled and called, busy in their mating and nest-building. Down on the river it appeared noisy Canada Geese were letting the world know they were back and getting ready to once again take over the park. Nearby, the ducks quacked their disapproval as they paddled in small circles and shook their tails.

Louise laughed to herself as she watched them, amazed at their resilience and determination. Soon ducklings and goslings would bring traffic to a halt as they marched across the road. Not all would survive cars, people and predators but some would and these would be the stronger, smarter or simply luckier ones. Ah life, thought Louise. So much of it is luck and whimsy and so much is just endurance.

When she finished circling her neighbourhood on foot, Louise brought a piping coffee back outdoors and settled onto the top step of her backyard deck. She had thought of hauling a lawn chair out from her shed but knew this could jinx the weather so she chose the step instead. It was still early afternoon and much of the day lay waiting before her. A spring breeze rose up from the river, bringing the geese calls along with a hint of moist freshness. Louise could almost taste the smell. The air was alive with the birds and their twittering voices. They swooped around the cedar trees, diving in and out of its dark shadows. Behind her, the starlings had re-occupied a spot under the eaves. She could hear the bird rooting around inside, no doubt preparing to lay eggs. Every spring for the past few years she had noted their presence but had not the heart to fix the gap in the siding. Eventually she would have to deal with them before real damage was done to the building.

But not today. Today was for sipping coffee and enjoying the end of winter. It was about time.



pic of the past

This photo of [Uncle] Harold Porter and [Aunt] Bertha Rivers was taken in 1942. Submitted by Murray Tripp. If you have a pic of the past you would like to submit, bring it to the *Echo* at 146 Highland Street or email tara.oreilly@sunmedia.ca.

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letters to the editor

Government rates hurt home buyers

To the Editor,

With the mortgage on the family home coming up for renewal, I was knocked for a loop by Jim Flaherty's intervention in the market calling on banks not to lower their interest rates. The Bank of Montreal promptly reversed their cut in the five-year mortgage rate from 2.99 per cent back to 3.09 per cent. Manulife Financial also reversed a rate cut after discussions with federal finance officials.

A recent headline in the *Globe and Mail* said, "Why bankers are secretly happy over Flaherty's mortgage rage." No one in Haliburton County need to read the article to know why bankers would be "secretly happy."

Because of Jim Flaherty, everyone fully qualified to borrow money will have to pay more. If you think 10 basis points isn't a lot, it adds up to \$1,000

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letters

Caretakers and visionaries

To the Editor,

Many thanks to MP Barry Devolin, who provided an excellent explanation in his letter of April 2 concerning how federal funding for municipal infrastructure within Haliburton County is accessed via a restrictive process intended to best serve local needs. I would like Mr. Devolin to know it was not my intent to chastise him for any lack of effort for what he has done for Haliburton County in the past, but rather, to encourage both him and our local municipal representatives to take a more proactive role in accessing the new, and apparently very significant, federal funding for infrastructure that now appears to be available to enhance life for the citizens of Haliburton County. I would also like to acknowledge that my comment concerning "passport clinics" was out of line and for that I apologize.

The 2013 federal budget outlines billions of available dollars for local infrastructure, roads, transit, recreation and affordable housing.

The purpose of my first letter to the editor on March 26 was to raise awareness among my fellow citizens, including local municipal representatives, of this significant new funding for local municipal infrastructure, and to urge all concerned to move quickly to take advantage of this opportunity.

I believe there are several important questions concerning this new funding that Mr. Devolin and our local municipal representatives, especially the members of county council, should answer.

1. What share of this significant new infrastructure funding "deserves" to come into Haliburton County? For example, the budget says there is \$53 billion for infrastructure. On a per capita basis, Haliburton's share would be nearly \$23 million. Including the cottage population, that amount would be \$68 million.

If the Conservative party truly wants to help us enhance our lives, why wouldn't we go after every penny that we are entitled to?

2. Is it true that MPs are only allowed to consider specific formal, written requests that come from the local municipal councils for these funding initiatives? I am confident MP Tony Clement, for example, has taken the initiative to spearhead local infrastructure initiatives.

In this time of unprecedented obesity in Canadian youth and with a population in Haliburton County that continues to age, exercise, especially swimming, provides tremendous health benefits, safety benefits for young children, and even economic benefits. In fact, providing a facility for recreation and physical activity is one of the most cost effective ways to cut down on the ballooning costs of health care.

I urge all of you, Mr. Devolin, members of county council and the four municipal councils, to act quickly and do all that you can to allow us to take full advantage of this new funding that has become available.

It's easy to play the role of caretaker: Keep the status quo. Keep taxes low.

Visionaries, on the other hand, seek out opportunities to build and improve their communities. They seize the great opportunities when they come along. Visionaries, not caretakers, built this great county, this great province and this great nation.

It is easy to become cynical of the world of politics, thinking nothing can be changed. If you also see this opportunity to enhance our lives here in Haliburton County, I urge you to speak to your local municipal representatives, to contact Mr. Devolin and encourage them to be the visionaries.

Walter Tose
Haliburton

Reality check, please

To the Editor,

Hydro One's installation of the smart meters and working our activities and use around off-peak hours was to save money and hydro. To date this doesn't exist.

There was to be no additional cost for the smart meters, according to Hydro One.

A few months later one of those illustrious pamphlets accompanied our hydro bill advising an increase in hydro rates due to the cost of the smart meters.

Then there were increases due to the cost to deliver hydro to us.

Next time you receive notice of hydro increases, think about this. Tom Mitchell, president and CEO of Ontario Power Generation, made \$1.72 million plus \$6,768 in taxable benefits for 2012.

Hydro One CEO Laura Formusa made a cool \$1.04 million in 2012, however no amount quoted for taxable benefits, so let's consider what we are really paying for.

Then there were the disgraced e-health and Ornge Air Ambulance Service and yet for those outrageous blunders Robert Bell, CEO of

Toronto's University Health Network, collected \$828,552 plus taxable benefits (dollar amount not available) for 2012.

One-hundred-and-twenty-nine employees of the disgraced Ornge Air Ambulance Service each made over \$100,000 for 2012 and former CEO Tom Lepine raked in \$287,503 for 2012 for his expertise in the fiasco.

It is difficult to rationalize reduced operating room times for doctors when money is squandered relentlessly by these so-called government wizards instead of directing funds to deal with the fragmentation of our health care-system.

It is time for the Ontario government to put a cap on wages that are within reason for such bureaucrats. \$1.72 million and \$1.04 million in wages plus benefits are beyond all comprehension.

These are just a few individuals who are on the Sunshine List.

Do you think we need a reality check?

Bev MacDuff
Gooderham

Rates hurt everyone

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over the life of a five-year \$200,000 mortgage. Flaherty wants to stem risky borrowing by keeping rates up but why resort to such an asinine approach that hurts everyone when all he needs to do is raise down payment amounts or lower maximum amorti-

zation periods, which actually has the direct effect on risky borrowers only. With friends like Jim Flaherty, who needs enemies when negotiating a mortgage?

Larry Bukta,
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Construction is underway at Stuart Baker Elementary School in Haliburton Village as the Trillium Lakelands District Schoolboard prepares for the full-day kindergarten program. To be completed by fall 2013, the facility will include two new kindergarten classrooms. The primary school includes junior kindergarten through to Grade 3.

Expansion underway at Stuart Baker Elementary School

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

Students at Stuart Baker Elementary School are watching their building grow before their eyes with work to expand the facility underway.

A new addition will see two kindergarten classrooms added to the west wing of the building, scheduled to be complete by September 2013.

The expansion is to accommodate the full-day kindergarten program being introduced by the Ministry of Education at Stuart Baker this fall, said Bob Kaye, superintendent of business for Trillium Lakelands District School Board.

Costing the board just over \$1 million, the addition will total about 2,800 square feet, said Kaye.

"Basically it's two classrooms and a hallway in between," he said.

The school currently offers full-day kindergarten on alternating days. The changes will mean the school will have four kindergarten classrooms this fall.

Stuart Baker principal Andrea Borysiuk is thrilled about the new classrooms and the overall growth of the school.

"There will be, projected, three JK/SK English classes and one SK French class," she said.

Details on staff and student numbers for September have not yet been finalized, said Borysiuk.

The school currently has 63 English and 28 French kindergarten students.

Students have been following the construction's progression by taking pictures and compiling a book, said Borysiuk.

While the full impact of the expansion won't be known until this September, Kaye confirmed there will

be changes to staff numbers.

"Under the full-day [program] the class can be big-

ger but there are two staff members in it, so there will be marginal increases in staff size," said Kaye.

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Business briefs

Country Kitchen Bulk Food store has new owner

Jeff Coyell has gone from selling Bibles to selling bulk food. The semi-retired businessman originally from Toronto has moved to the Haliburton Highlands after purchasing Country Kitchen Bulk Food Store. Located at 30 York St. in Haliburton Village, the store was bought by Coyell in December 2012. The new owner plans to continue offering bulk items such as baking supplies, grains, dried fruit, nuts and candy.

Since taking over Coyell, 50, has already made some changes to the business, including expanding the gluten free and organic section and offering sauces and maple syrup.

He was drawn to the business because of its location in the Highlands and an interest in the restaurant industry.

He has no immediate plans to change the store's interior drastically although he has made a few aesthetic changes.

"It's so clean, that's why I bought it, it was a big reason," he said.

The owner has been impressed by the store's supportive customer base, who have been welcoming him since he took over.

"You have your regulars in here who come in faithfully ... anyone who's come in has come back," he said. "It's a very close knit community."

Some of the new items Coyell has already brought in, such as fair trade chocolate and gluten free tortilla chips, have been selling well.

"People eat that stuff up ... that's what they're looking for," he said.

For more information on the store call 705-457-1456.

- Angelica Blenich

Spa finds new location downtown

Wind in the Willows is moving into town.

The day spa that has locations in Haliburton and Minden will be relocating to Highland Street, occupying the space formerly belonging to Haliburton Family Dentistry.

Applications on the rise at the Haliburton School of the Arts

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

With a more than 10 per cent increase in applications for the upcoming fall semester it's looking like the Haliburton School of the Arts is poised for another successful year.

About 100 students and their families walked the halls of the Fleming College campus on April 6 for the school's annual open house.

The event included art demonstrations, information sessions and student led tours.

Many of the college's courses are experiencing significant increases in applications, including ceramics, fibre arts and the VCAD program, said principal Sandra Dupret.

Campuses located in Peterborough, Lindsay and Cobourg held simultaneous open houses last weekend.

For more information visit www.flemingcollege.ca/schools-of-the-arts.

Currently located at 129 Victoria St. in Haliburton, the spa will be moving to the main street at the beginning of May, said owner Sylvia Holland.

"When a place came up on the main street we thought we better jump on it," said Holland. "I think it's going to be really nice."

The owner is excited about the space and the patio out front, which she plans to use.

More information on the spa and its services can be found at www.haliburton-spa.com or by calling 705-457-3380.

- Angelica Blenich

Home Hardware up for sale

It's far from being a done deal, but it is only a matter of time.

Haliburton Home Hardware owner Ray Langdon is putting up the "dealer owned" business this coming September.

With 16 full- and part-time employees, he and his father will be selling the "package deal" (business/building) and have already had prospective buyers inquire.

Langdon appreciates his staff and believes it's "stupid" to not use their strong customer service skills.

"We need a Home Hardware," he said, referring to staff and the town.

The 55-year-old intended to retire and will use the sale as a nest egg.

In 1964, Langdon's father started the business when he bought Black's Home Hardware.

- Darren Lum

Angelica Blenich Staff

Jeff Coyell is the new owner of Country Kitchen Bulk Food Store, at 30 York St. in Haliburton Village. New to the community, Coyell took over the business in December, 2012.



Angelica Blenich Staff

Haliburton School of the Arts glassblowing student Nina Stellmach checks out a piece of work created by faculty member Terry Craig at the Fleming College's open house on April 6. The full day event included demonstrations, information sessions and art displays.

Tire recycling fee increase to prove costly for farmers, foresters

Jenn Watt
Editor

Changes in the province's tire regulations could dramatically increase the price paid by farmers, foresters and miners and in some cases already has.

Whether that is acceptable is up for discussion with Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Laurie Scott calling for the elimination of the regulation and the body that collects the tires, while Waste Diversion Ontario CEO Michael Scott argues the regulation is essential.

The crux of the issue: the organization recycling the province's tires - Ontario Tire Stewardship - runs annual deficits because it costs more to recycle the off-road tires than is paid in by the industry.

The remedy: the province is telling tire companies to pay more to recycle the large tires found on tractors and large machinery.

Laurie Scott says that disadvantages farmers and foresters in this riding, who will now be paying up to 2,200 per cent more for their tires.

"We want to hold the manufacturers and importers responsible for recycling their waste," the MPP says. "We're just saying that the government should get out of telling the manufacturers and importers how to get rid of the waste."

The PC party would eliminate the organizations that currently deal with the tires - Ontario Tire Stewardship and Waste Diversion Ontario - and allow private businesses to vie for contracts to recycle tires.

"The manufacturers that make farm implements are forced to charge it [the fee], so they're not being competitive," Laurie Scott said.

Michael Scott disagrees with the PC party's take on the situation.

There are no "eco-fees" or "eco-taxes" in this situation, he said, rather it is up to the tire manufacturers to either absorb the additional cost or charge the customer.

"It is neither a tax or a fee," he said.

"It's the tire manufacturers who must decide whether they make you and I pay that cost or whether they absorb that cost in the price of their product. It's entirely up to the tire manufacturers."

The amount paid to OTS by tire manufacturers for small

car tires is just under \$6 per unit. Under the new regulations, for the largest tires (more than 2,645 pounds) each used tire costs about \$1,300 to be recycled.

Other provinces don't charge nearly so much, the MPP points out, giving the example of a John Deere 9770 combine tire that costs more than \$1,600 in Ontario to buy and just \$210 in British Columbia.

"[B.C.] is the next most expensive. It's hugely different," Laurie Scott says.

The result is Ontario shoppers looking outside of the province to buy their tires, which hurts the local economy, she said.

"This is a huge difference and it becomes uncompetitive," she said.

Michael Scott said the program is still in its infancy and prices are changing to reflect the true costs of being environmentally responsible.

"We now know based on experience of four years of the program what the actual costs are," he said. "The regulation is saying you must use that actual cost and not an estimated cost [of recycling] in calculating the fees you have to pay."

He reiterated that the fees do not go to the government, but directly to OTS for recycling.

Laurie Scott believes both organizations should be scrapped entirely, while still ordering manufacturers to pay for their own waste.

"Do you need all this [regulation] to accomplish what you need to accomplish?" she said.

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Tractor tire recycling fees, which had been standardized, are to be based on size starting April 1. Farm organizations are objecting to the drastic increase the change will bring to the cost of tires commonly used in agriculture.

Donal O'Connor QMI Agency

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The Métis Fiddler Quartet, who will perform a free interactive concert at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 10, are siblings Nicholas Delbaere-Sawchuk, left, Alyssa, Danton and Conlin. The quartet will kick off the J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School's Celebration of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Culture event on Thursday, April 11.

- submitted by Conlin Delbaere-Sawchuk

Quartet breathes life into musical legacy

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

The Métis Fiddler Quartet wants to solidify your connection to Canada's history through an upcoming performance.

Through their fiddle music passed down by their elders, this quartet made up of siblings Alyssa, Conlin, Nicholas and Danton Delbaere-Sawchuk will share their Métis culture, heritage and love of music through their interactive performance in Haliburton this week.

Conlin Delbaere-Sawchuk spoke to the *Echo* by phone, explaining his quartet was invited by J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School principal Elaine Fournier to be part of the school's Celebration of First Nations, Métis and Inuit Culture event.

The free performance on Wednesday, April 10 at 7 p.m. at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion will combine workshop elements to enable the public to experience what the students will get to have a day later.

A day later they will help kick off the celebration event in the opening ceremony at the Haliburton school.

The celebration is based on larger version in Bracebridge, organized by the Trillium Lakelands District School Board. It includes 10 all-day workshops with a focus on the arts for students who choose one. Among the workshop

leaders includes Keesic Douglas, a professor at the Ontario College of Art, who will teach filmmaking. The event, which was funded by the Parent Reaching Out provincial grant and the Trillium Lakelands District School Board (TLDSB), will end with students showcasing what they learned.

Besides a desire to maintain a connection to their own Métis heritage, the quartet hopes to foster a stronger relationship between Canadians and their own history.

"A lot of Canadians tend to be disconnected from our history and so we feel that it's really important to offer a way for people to find that connection and to be really comfortable with it," he said.

Delbaere-Sawchuk adds it is more important to know the Métis story after the federal court ruled that 600,000 Métis and non-status Indians are "Indians" under the Constitution Act and the Supreme Court of Canada ruled to recognize the federal government failed to live up to land obligations made to the Métis people back in 1870.

The quartet has performed and given workshops internationally and nationally.

It is through these efforts they also hope to encourage an interest and involvement in Canadian Aboriginal music.

Originally from Manitoba, the Toronto-based group has strong Métis roots and draws upon its diverse musical background that includes classical music and jazz.

Together as a band they've played "this particular kind of music" for eight years. The quartet released its debut album

North West Voyage, which was produced by Don Ross in 2012. The album was named Best Traditional Album at the 2012 Canadian Folk Music Awards.

"The more people get the chance to hear it the more feedback we get. It's been overwhelmingly positive," he said.

Songs from their album will be performed at the concert and will aid in telling the Métis story.

They've performed in a variety of venues from libraries and schools to the 2010 Vancouver Olympics and the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian Gala. Reaching out, whether it's a small group or a large audience, the quartet values all of their interactions.

"When you're performing any smaller venue it really offers you the opportunity to reach out to the audience and have a more personal impact on people," he said. "One of the other rewarding things about what we do is being approached by past workshop participants, teachers or students and people who come to our shows who have really taken away something from the experience. I'd say that being able to connect with people and connect people to our history and heritage is the most rewarding aspect of what we do."

The event was possible because of the organizing committee (Elaine Fournier, chairperson, Tracey Dale, Tammy Hoover and Heather Truscott of the TLDSB).



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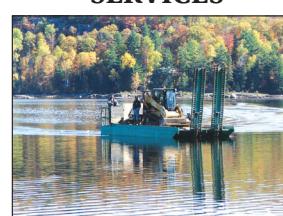
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High school students find their own direction

Young artists explore techniques and media for exhibition

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

They were asked to select a medium, any medium, and explore.

The choices were endless. Soapstone, wire sculpture, collage, ink, mosaics and charcoal, to name just a few.

Once they became expert in that medium, the students in the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School portfolio class were asked to give workshops to Grade 9 students, teaching them what they knew.

"They gave directions," said HHSS art teacher Paul Marshall.

From there an exhibit was born.

On display at the Rails End Gallery until May 4, *Directions* features the work of 13 Grade 12 HHSS students, who spoke about their art at the opening reception held on April 6.

Once they had delivered the workshops the students were left to find their own direction, ultimately creating a piece for the exhibit.

"It's inspiring to see how the workshops



Angelica Blenich Staff

Visitors at the opening reception for *Directions*, which includes pieces created by students in the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School portfolio class, check out a collage created by Jade Nielsen, far left. The exhibit is on display until May 4 at Rails End Gallery in Haliburton Village.

affected their work," said Marshall. "The outcome is pretty exciting."

For some students the process was frustrating, for others exhilarating.

Devyn Newton chose soapstone, a medium she enjoyed at the beginning, but not by the end, she said.

For Newton the soapstone was difficult to work with.

Working with charcoal for the first time, Mackenzie Robinson loved the process of creating art with black and grey shades.

"You really can't screw it up," said Robinson. "You can just smudge it around."

One of the stand-out pieces featured an antique tea cart purchased in Gelert by student Miko Stagg.

Untitled, the piece includes broken pieces of china plates, bought at a second hand store in Haliburton, glued to the top of the cart in a mosaic pattern.

Stagg transferred photographs of robins onto some of the mosaic pieces and stacked some of the remaining plates on the bottom of the cart, held together by glue. Perched on top of the plates are four robin's eggs.

"I'm pretty pleased with how it turned out," she said.

The students began working with their media months ago, with the exhibit representing the culmination of that process, said Marshall.

Looking ahead the students will now be putting together portfolios, with many planning on pursuing art or design following high school.

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Sports

Hawks hungry for stronger competition

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

On the whole it was probably a little too easy.

The Red Hawks senior badminton team cruised to an overall team win at the senior Kawartha qualifier hosted by Haliburton Highlands Secondary School on Tuesday, April 9.

Eleven players earned a berth to the next round of competition with a first or second place in a field that included players from Fenelon Falls Secondary School, I.E. Weldon Secondary School, St. Peter's Secondary School, and Crestwood Secondary School. Coach Jason Morissette was pleased with the results and proud of his players, who he says have worked hard in practice and shown great discipline in drills and developing their game.

"Many of the players now see that they have a shot for COSSA and possibly OFSAA so they work hard. Overall they are playing well and getting better, but the Kawartha Championships will be a truer test," he said, referring to the next round of competition. Morissette characterizes his team as having "lot of athletic talent."

This combined with up to five days of practices a week has helped in this tournament.

The team's preparation includes high level drills and mixing teams up in practice for competitive play.

Although they finished second to teammates Bin Chun and Jaimie Dack, the newly formed mixed doubles team of Rin Shiina (an exchange student from Tokyo) and Brigitte Hicks has impressed the coach.

"They are working hard and making gains all the time while pushing our other mixed doubles team very well," he said.

Also first place finishers, "the 'Tanners' (Tanner Hamilton and Tanner Ballantyne) also played better as the day went on and they started hitting very hard by the finals. [They] compete very hard and show solid athletic skills," he said.

Singles player Darcy Schmidt and ladies doubles team Jessica Duchene and Sandy Griffith finished first, followed by teammates Ali Hicks and Jessica Bishop in second.

Morissette is appreciative of the Red Hawks junior players for helping host and run this tournament.

He adds, "I have a great group of players all around on both teams."



Darren Lum Staff

Above, Red Hawks senior doubles player William Stephenson, front, takes away a long attempt (with Hunter Bishop, back, looking on); left, doubles player Jessica Duchene watches her shot with partner Sandy Griffith looking on during a match in the senior Kawartha qualifier at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School in Haliburton on Tuesday,

Jr Red Hawks send 10 to Kawartha

Darren Lum
Staff reporter

There will be plenty of reasons to cheer when the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School host this year's junior Kawartha championships on Wednesday, April 10.

Ten exactly, as the junior Red Hawks badminton team finished with 10 players in the top three at the junior Kawartha qualifier at St. Peter's Secondary School in Peterborough on Thursday, April 4.

Singles player Curtis Ballantyne and boys doubles team of Caleb Schmidt and Jaydon Wood finished first.

The boys doubles team of Matt O'Reilly and Devon Upton and the mixed doubles team of Nick Thompson and Rebecca Anderson finished second.

Boys singles player Noah Dollo and mixed doubles team of Jenna Park and Joel Fedeski came third.

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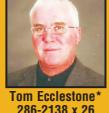
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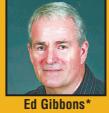
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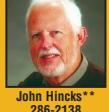
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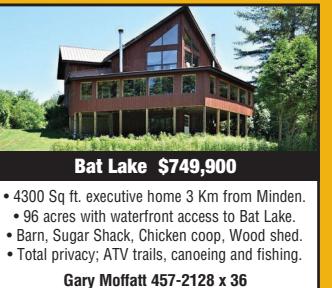
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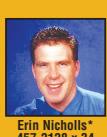
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On April 5, SIRCH held an appreciation dinner at the church to give thanks for the ongoing community support.

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"Without this church, Rotary and the people who have given us food we couldn't have done this," said volunteer Jane van Nood.

In 2012 the Community Kitchen program expanded to Minden, with distribution going to the Minden Food Bank.



Bas Bouthoorn, left, gets a healthy helping of lasagna from volunteer Diane Smith, centre, and Jane van Nood.



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It was a full house at the Haliburton United Church on April 5 when a free dinner was put on by SIRCH to show their appreciation to the church and the Rotary Club of Haliburton for supporting the organization's programs, including SIRCH's Moms in the Kitchen program and Community Kitchen. Both groups support the programs through donations and the use of facilities.

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Preserving the past at the Haliburton Highlands Museum

Kate Butler
Haliburton Highlands Museum

Earth Day was first launched as an environmental awareness event in the United States in 1970. Since then, it has grown to include the participation of one billion people in 170 countries every April. We may think of environmental awareness as something relatively new, but early settlers to the Haliburton area were in tune with our environment in many ways that we can learn from.

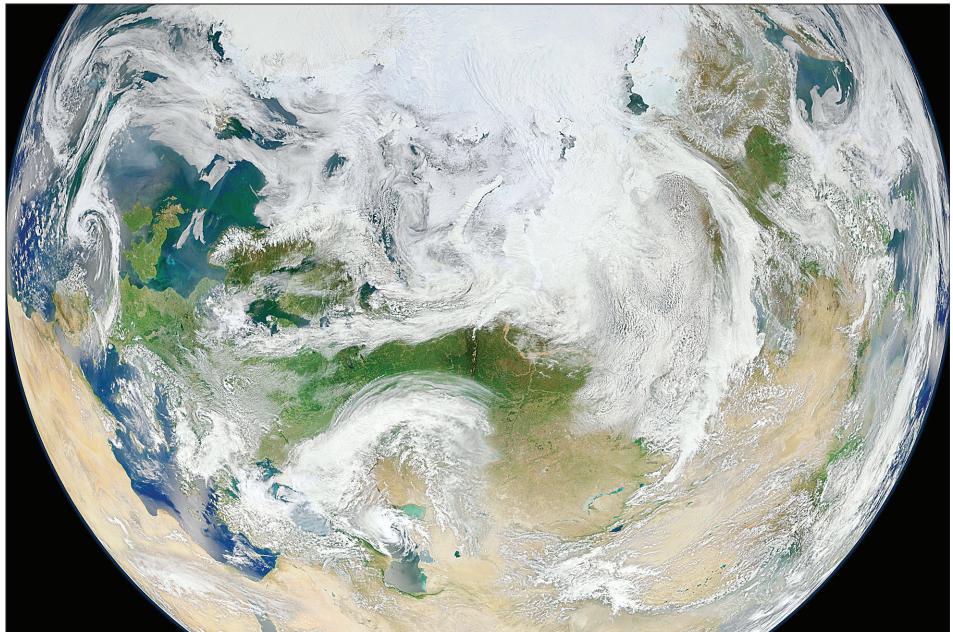
Have you ever been in that position where your garden produces more than you can possibly eat before it spoils? Or perhaps a neighbour has anonymously left a basket of monster zucchinis on your doorstep. Today we have the luxury of freezing much of our produce, but for early settlers in Ontario, time was of the essence. In the 19th century, the land that was to become Haliburton County was advertised as fertile and ideal for farming, but as anyone who has created a garden here can attest, the path can be rocky! When the soil did produce, none of those precious crops could go to waste, especially since there was little chance of restocking the larder over the winter.

In the late summer months, when most crops were ready to harvest, sun drying was an option for some items, while a pickling solution of strong brine would take care of the vegetables. Fruits could be made into jams and jellies or simply preserved in

syrup. All these options might seem obvious to us, but what about preserving butter and eggs, and perhaps more importantly, why? Chickens do lay eggs all year, but often lay fewer in the winter months, and as we know from any package in the grocery store, they have a fairly finite life span. A thrifty farmer's wife might coat her eggs with lard to make them last longer. "Lard?" you ask. Let me explain. Eggs actually go bad because their shells have microscopic pores, just like our skin, and the pores allow air to enter the egg – ultimately the air is what causes the eggs to spoil. Coating the eggs in lard seals the pores so the air can't get in and this allows the eggs to last much longer even without refrigeration. I have heard that using this technique will keep eggs fresh for seven months, but we at the museum don't endorse trying this at home!

Many a farmer's wife would have produced her own butter at home from cream skimmed from the top of fresh milk, but butter, like eggs, doesn't have a long lifespan and many people say that the butter produced in the warm months has a nicer flavour as the cows are then grazing on fresh grass full of chlorophyll. The same salt that preserves our pickles can be used to extend the lifespan of the butter through the lean winter months. The butter we buy in the grocery store today is salted because it began as a matter of preservation ... which then became a matter of taste!

The Haliburton Highlands Museum is open Tuesday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5



Celebrate Earth Day pioneer style at the Haliburton Highlands Museum on Saturday, April 20 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. AFP PHOTO / NASA/GSFC/Suomi NPP

p.m., but make sure to drop by the museum later this month for a special event we're holding, "Waste Not, Want Not – Pioneer Style," and learn all about other ways early settlers made sure that nothing went to waste through the production of textiles, as well as candle and soap making and their cooking. You'll take ideas home with you to inspire you to be good to the environment on Earth Day and all year through!

We'll also have Earth Day-friendly crafts and activities for kids, and you can even help us to design our new heritage garden! This event takes place on Saturday, April 20 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 705-457-2760, email info@haliburtonhighlandsmuseum.com or check us out on Twitter or Facebook. We look forward to seeing you soon!

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Arts Council celebrates 10th anniversary

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands. Over the next few months, the Haliburton Echo/Minden Times will feature a series of articles that will highlight the organization's successes and the development of the arts in the Highlands. Enjoy!

When it all began

The landscape of the local arts scene has changed drastically over the past decade.

And organizations such as the Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands have had to grow and adapt to that change.

But well before this not-for-profit organization came to be, art was synonymous with the Haliburton Highlands.

Most would agree that the seeds were planted in 1968 when the Haliburton School of the Arts was founded by the Haliburton Highlands Guild of Fine Arts in collaboration with Sir Sandford Fleming College in Peterborough.

"The Guild supported the development of a variety of small groups that began developing arts activity in a number of sectors," states the Arts Council's website.

This led to the development of the Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre and the Haliburton Concert Series, and supported the development of the Haliburton County Studio Tour.

In 1997, an arts committee was formed as an ad hoc committee of the community economic development committee of the Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC).

According to Jim Blake, the first co-ordinator of the Arts Council, the emphasis of the arts committee was first placed on the visual arts.

The arts committee took on a wide range of initiatives, including the installation of public sculptures, creation of the Haliburton Sculpture Forest, development of marketing materials related to the visual arts, and professional development workshops for visual artists.

Former HCDC board member Barb Bolin also worked tirelessly to ensure that the arts were included in local stra-

tegic planning.

"Having a strong background in the arts, I put forward to the board that one of the economic drivers in the community had grown to be the arts," said Bolin, who also served as the principal of the Haliburton School of the Arts for 35 years.

It wasn't long before Haliburton's 230-seat Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion was built, the Highlands Summer Festival was formed and organizations like the Haliburton County Folk Society started.

In 2002, the arts committee came together with other key arts organizations in the county to form a new committee that would oversee a plan for the development and promotion of all arts sectors, and create a collaborative central body to co-ordinate the implementation of the plan.

After a series of surveys and interviews with stakeholders in a wide range of arts sectors - locally and beyond - the committee supported the creation of an arts council.

"We started having some forums and gathering people together," said Bolin.

In the fall of 2003, the Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands was formed under the umbrella of the HCDC. While many anticipated the launch of the organization, others were wary of the purpose it would serve.

"People were nervous," said Blake. "They didn't want to have an organization that was there to tell them what to do."

A call was put out to the community for individuals who wished to serve on a steering committee to oversee the development of the Arts Council. Twenty-one people put their names forward to join the committee.

The Arts Council's first office space was located within HCDC. The location was a great fit for the organization.

"A lot of the things that we were trying to do with the Arts Council dovetailed really nicely with what we were trying to do at the development corporation," said Blake. "A big focus was putting the word out there that artists are business people and they can access all the programs that

other businesses are accessing."

For Bolin, it was an incredible feat to launch an Arts Council in the community.

"When I left the Arts Council there were about 300 members, and that was bigger than organizations like the Ontario Crafts Council, bigger than lots of provincial organizations and definitely the biggest arts council in Ontario," she said. "That was because our artists, organizations and business communities supported the arts by becoming members."

In its first year of operation the Arts Council co-founded the Haliburton Tourism Coalition and joined the economic diversification committee of the County of Haliburton, among other things.

In the fall of 2005, the membership of the Arts Council elected a board of directors, adopted a set of bylaws and filed for incorporation.

"My observation was that the arts community has been in existence for about five years, and has done a really good job in terms of highlighting the visual arts, but there's a lot more to what we're doing here than just the visual arts," said Blake. "I thought there was an opportunity for economic development for all of the arts. So that took a bit of pondering."

In Blake's opinion, the Arts Council should be a one-stop shop for everything to do with arts, culture and heritage in the Highlands.

"I think having an organization that's in the centre of things is very important," he said. "That way people know they can make one phone call and ask the questions, 'Where can I find this?' 'How can I do this?' 'Who do you know that does this?' That's so vital, as opposed to having to phone 20 different organizations to do that."

The Arts Council's mission is to "provide a strong voice for the arts in Haliburton County; to serve as a catalyst for community economic development through the arts; and, through the facilitation of collaborative relationships among artists, organizations, businesses and government, contribute to the vibrancy of the arts and community life."

Male charged with possession of stolen property

On March 28, the Bancroft detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) was dispatched to the report of a snowmobile theft from a residence on Bellair Lane in the Municipality of Highlands East.

Sometime since March 25 a Polaris Rush snowmobile was stolen from the property. An Arctic Cat Touring that

was reported stolen from Monck Road in Faraday Township on March 11 was recovered at the location.

On March 29, the Bancroft OPP received a report that the Polaris Rush was found in Paudash Lake. Investigation into the incident led to one adult male being arrested and charged.

A 23-year-old male of Cardiff has been charged with possession of stolen property over \$5,000.

He was released from bail court on a recognizance with conditions.

He is scheduled to appear in Bancroft court on April 9.

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Legion rewards literary and poster contest winners

Angelica Blenich
Staff reporter

This year more than 100 students participated in the Haliburton Legion's annual Remembrance Day Literary and Poster contest.

Youth education chairman Brian Hambly announced the winners of this year's contest at the Haliburton Legion on April 5.

Poem contest

Senior category (Grades 10, 11, 12): 1- Vanessa Kennedy
Intermediate category (Grades 7, 8, 9): 1- Kayla Bird, 2- Hannah Klose, 3- Nick Placido.

Junior category (Grades 4, 5, 6): 1- Bo Stevenson, 2- Carson Sisson, 3- Miki Bukta.

Essay contest

Intermediate category: 1- Chris Draper, 2- Antonina Gagliano-Pisa, 3- Ryan Manning.

Junior category: 1- Charlotte Anne Paton

Poster contest- black and white

Intermediate category: 1- Alec Stoughton, 2- Josh Bellefleur.

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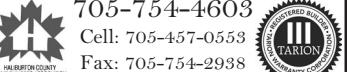
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Angelica Blenich Staff

Winners of the annual Haliburton Legion Remembrance Day Literary and Poster Contest were recognized at an awards ceremony held on April 5. Certificates were presented by Haliburton Legion youth education chairman Brian Hambly and first vice-president Jack Greavette.

leur, 3- Kenndal Marsden

Junior category: 1- Ania-Elizabeth Smolen, 2- Jessica Byers, 3- James Alexander.

Primary category (Grades 1, 2, 3): 1- Rianne Horsley, 2- Spencer Bowker, 3- Ezra Hill.

Poster contest - colour

Senior category: 1- Noelle Russell

Intermediate category: 1- Zack Shantz, 2- Cassidy Davis,

3- Josh Bellefleur.

Junior category: 1- Aaron Bellefleur, 2- Tice Barry, 3- Stefan Salaris.

Primary category: 1- Avery Horner, 2- Olivia Johnson, 3- Kylie Brohm.

The winners of each category were sent to compete at the zone level last November.

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To help get into the season the Wilberforce Heritage Guild has planned a spring event at the Red Cross Outpost Historic House. It will take place on Wednesday, April 17. The WHG invites you to "Bring An Ancestor." Don't be puzzled. Just bring along a photo of ancestors or a treasured item that connects you with someone from an earlier generation.

Come along at 5:30 p.m. and enjoy some chili or stew that members of the WHG are generously providing for the first course. You can bring along a few sweets for dessert. There will be tea, coffee and water available.

By about 6:30 p.m. when supper is cleared away, the ancestor sharing will begin. Each participant will have about five minutes. You are welcome to arrive then if you can't make it earlier.

An Episcopal election was held at St. James Anglican Cathedral in Toronto on Saturday, April 6. Representatives from local churches joined more than 600 clergy and lay delegates from across the diocese to elect a suffragan bishop. After the celebration of the Eucharist the Venerable Reverend Peter Fenty was elected on the seventh ballot from a slate of 11 worthy men and women nominees. The whole diocese and the area to which he will be assigned will be served well by Peter's passion for proclaiming the gospel, human rights and social justice.

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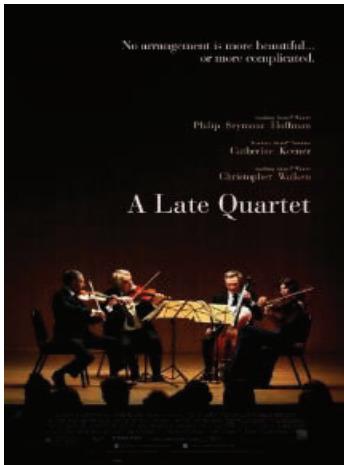
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Coming Events

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The Davisons opened their home to friends and neighbours as they celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary on April 5.

Cliff and Colleen's wedding album was passed around the company, fine refreshments were offered and appreciated, and a scrumptious cake was as good to taste as it was to look at! Everyone took time to chat as well as to congratulate this fine couple on the happy occasion. Good wishes extended for many years to come!

Lisa Barry and Mike Mihlik welcomed visitors from New Zealand for a week in March in

the persons of Mike's brother Nick Mihlik and his wife, Sarah.

They toured the Frost Centre, went dogsledding and viewed Maple Moon to see how maple syrup is made before going over to London, Ont. to visit more of Nick's family.

Those who attended the Men's Breakfast at St. George's on April 6 included Perry Morrison, Robert McIvor, Keith Burns and Earl. Christopher Chumbley was one of the cooks. Don Wood was the excellent speaker for the occasion and was well received and appreciated by the 35 in attendance.

Euchre scores on April 2: High - Ann McIvor and Peter Laplante. Low - Madeline Doyle and Henk van Nood. Most Lone Hands - Diane Madonic and Barry Butler.

Coming Events



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Where: Haliburton Legion

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March- April 24: Complete tax returns for seniors and veterans located at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 636 at 12847 - 35 Highway in Minden every Wednesday from 10 am to 12 noon. This program is coordinated with Canada Revenue Agency through the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program.

Haliburton Soccer mail in Registration for children 4+ and Adult summer and pick up soccer still available. For more information please call 705-457-9303 after 6pm or visit <http://www.halsoccer.org/>

April 13: The Maplefest Pancake/Sausage Brunch and Bake Sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. "All You Can Eat" at Lochlin United Church, 1050 Lochlin Road off Gelert Road (County Road 1). Adults: \$6, Children: \$3 Preschool: **FREE**

April 14: Country Music Jamboree located at the S.G. Nesbitt Arena in Minden from 1p.m.-5p.m. admission \$7.00, 5p.m. Meat pie/veggies/dessert- \$6.00 provided by Minden Lioness proceeds to Relay for Life.

Table Tennis in Minden Wednesday afternoons from 1 to 3 pm. the upper level of the Minden Community Centre. The cost in Minden is \$3.00 per day. In Haliburton we play Monday nights from 6 to 9 pm. on the lower level of St. George's Anglican Church, 617 Mountain Street. The cost is \$5.00 per night plus \$15 half-yearly to cover the insurance cost for the church. Dates: From January 2nd to June 26th. Contact: Vasha Rehacek @ 705-754-3834

April 8-May 6: Juggling the Journey: Getting what you want from life. A series of Workshops and discussions to promote self discovery and tools for coping with change. Cost: A donation of a non-perishable food item or financial donation to the Minden food bank. For more information please call 705-754-5857 or email jugglingthejourney@gmail.com

April 19: Friday 7 to 9 p.m. "Irish Spring" Concert. An Evening of Worship & Inspirational Music with an Irish Flavour. Refreshments at Intermission. Haliburton United Church 10 George Street, Haliburton, ON. The Robin Mark Tribute Band with Carl Dixon and special guest Phil McMahon. Fundraising event for SIRCH Community Services and Haliburton United Church. Admission by free-will offering.

April 20: Dog Patch Dollies Relay for Life Dinner and Dance. Located at the West Guilford Community Centre starting at 5:30p.m. Tickets available at Cranberry Cottage or Canoe FM For more info call Pat at 705-754-1197

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For further information and an application package, please access our website at: www.hhhs.ca/ administration & contacts / board & oversight.

Or contact: Marlene Vieira
Executive Assistant to President & CEO and
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The family would like to thank the management and caregivers at Orchard Villa Retirement Home in Pickering for the excellent care and compassion they gave to our father for the past two years. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Society of Canada. Arrangements entrusted to McEachnie Funeral Home, Ajax, 905-428-8488. Online condolences may be placed at www.mceachniefuneral.ca

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Ken Freeman
 Resident of Haliburton Lake, Ontario


Peacefully with his family by his side at Haliburton Hospital on Wednesday morning, April 3, 2013 in his 86th year. Beloved husband of Jean Freeman (nee Campbell) for over 57 years. Loving father of Cathie (Dave Bransfield), Elizabeth and David. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Richard, Jeanette and Nicole. Dear brother of Ted. Predeceased by his brothers Jack, Bill and Bob. Also remembered by his faithful companions Tiaga, Belle and Ryder as the man with the pocket full of cookies. Of late, Ken could be seen driving his red jeep, spending time in the bush cutting and splitting firewood and making maple syrup. In his earlier days, Ken had a passion for stock car racing and riding his Harley. Ken was where he wanted to be, enjoying what he wanted to do.

Visitation & Funeral Service

Friends are invited to call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209 on Saturday afternoon, April 6, 2013 from 1 o'clock until time of the Funeral Service in the Chapel at 2 o'clock. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services - Palliative Care Unit would be appreciated by the family.

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Deaths

WILLIAMS, Mark David - Suddenly on Saturday March 30, 2013 at the age of 49 years. Mark Williams of Aurora beloved husband of Patty (nee Gibson) and dear father of Mark and his wife Amanda and daughter Amanda. Proud Poppa of Kendall, Peyton and expected grandbaby in July. Son of Ken and Patricia Williams and brother of Ken Williams Jr., Anna-Lisa Walters and Melissa Culp. Mark will be sadly missed by all the Gibson Family and his faithful companion Nikki. Friends were received at the **THOMPSON FUNERAL HOME** 530 Industrial Parkway South Aurora on Friday April 5, 2013 from 6-8 p.m. Memorial Service was held in the chapel on Saturday at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers memorial donations to The Children's Wish Foundation would be appreciated.

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Card of thanks

The family of the late **Glen Robertson** express heart-felt appreciation to those who cared for Glen:
 The Supportive Housing staff for tending to his needs at home, the nurses and doctors for providing excellent care during his stay at the Haliburton Hospital and Dwaine Lloyd from the Haliburton Community Funeral Home for looking after all the arrangements. Thank you to Arlene, Johanna, Sue and Lynn for your help with the move at the apartments. Many thanks to Marty and the staff at Hyland Taxi for all your help during Glen's illness. Your kindness will never be forgotten.
Doreen and family

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In memoriam

GOSTOCK, AL-
 Oct. 2, 1927 - April 10, 2010

The rolling stream of life rolls on,
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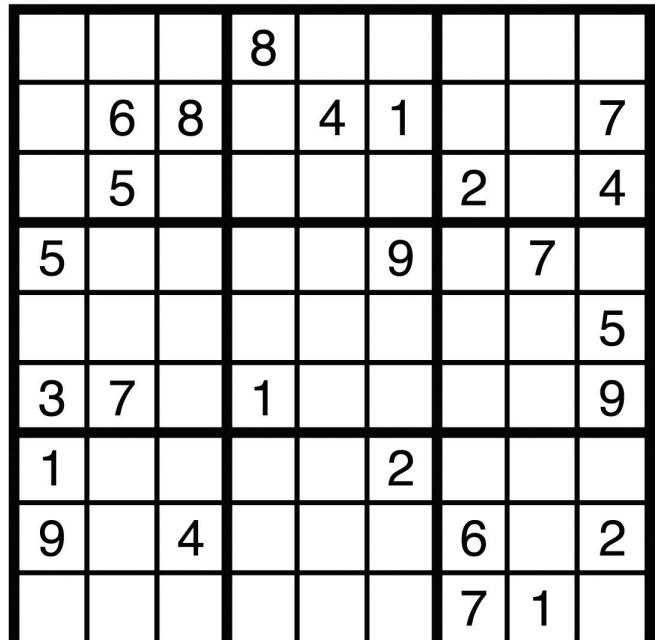
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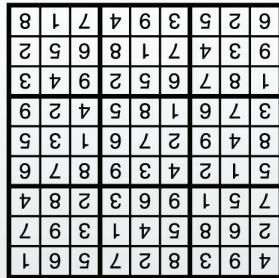


Sudoku

PUZZLE NO. 400



ANSWER TO PUZZLE NO. 400



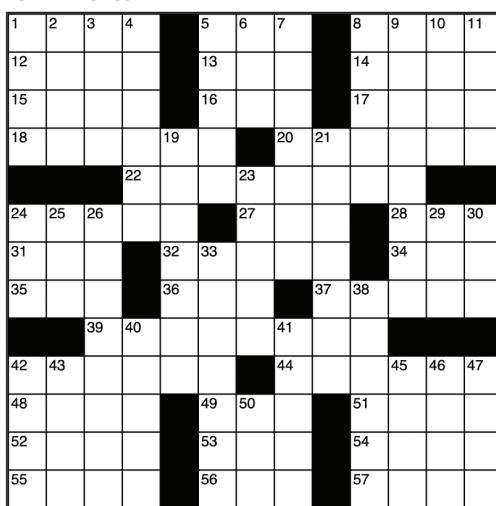
HOW TO PLAY:

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the numbers 1 through 9 only once.

Each 3x3 box is outlined with a darker line. You already have a few numbers to get you started. Remember: **You must not repeat the numbers 1 through 9 in the same line, column, or 3x3 box.**

CROSSWORD

PUZZLE NO. 664



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ACROSS

- 1. High point
- 5. Dads
- 8. Voyage
- 12. Golf-bag item
- 13. Road depression
- 14. Savior
- 15. Plant base
- 16. ____ out (barely make)
- 17. Arab chief
- 18. Goblin
- 20. Most uncommon
- 22. Called off
- 24. Stephen Vincent ____
- 27. Disintegrate
- 28. Little demon
- 31. "You ____ Sixteen"
- 32. The ones here
- 34. Listening organ
- 35. "The ____ Patrol"
- 36. Swimmer's division
- 37. Grating
- 39. Hulk Hogan, e.g.
- 41. Ventilates
- 42. Levels
- 44. Rather queer
- 46. Ms. Flynn Boyle
- 49. Blow the ____ off
- 51. Cave sound
- 52. Signs
- 53. Sooner than, in poems
- 54. Type of sign
- 55. School exam
- 56. Cub house
- 57. Sycamore or dogwood

DOWN

- 1. Ventilates
- 2. Farm production
- 3. Barren wasteland
- 4. Lure

- 5. Spruce up
- 6. Web-footed bird
- 7. Sound systems
- 8. Not here
- 9. Medicines
- 10. Flower
- 11. Harbor city
- 19. Squealer
- 21. Changed
- 23. Moved stealthily
- 24. Law student's exam
- 25. Geologic division
- 26. Television companies
- 29. Driver's aid
- 30. Snoop
- 33. Bothered
- 38. Eager
- 40. Cook in an oven
- 41. Wool fabric
- 42. Flutter
- 43. Bowling area
- 45. Bakery employee
- 46. High heel, e.g.
- 47. Sharpen
- 50. Anger

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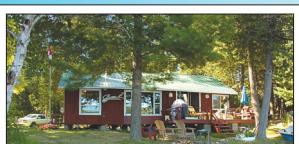
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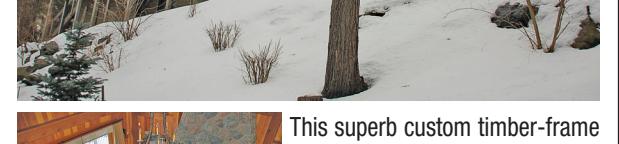
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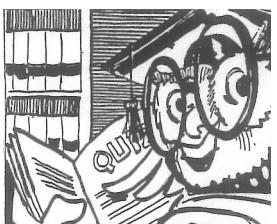
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